

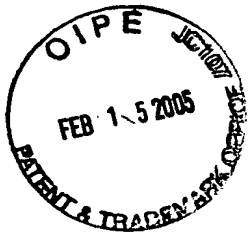
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: SHAFFER, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/751,757  
Filing Date: December 29, 2000  
Group Art Unit: 2645  
Examiner: Ming Chow  
Title: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING  
PRIORITIZED ACCESS TO A MESSAGING SYSTEM**

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2004 (the "Office Action"), Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.